

Redistricting is very important and involves the families of my community, Alton IL and the 4th Ward. Illinois districts belong to the people. We expect an independent and transparent process that values our input and creates maps that aren't based on politics but are based on the needs of our community. I am a supporter of a fair process of redistricting.

Redistricting should utilize the census information that have been collected.

It should comply with the United States voting rights Act of 1965

District 12 consists of 10 counties plus a portion of one more. It extends from Alton on the west to the Ohio River, the southernmost point on the west. The length of the district is approximately 180 miles or a oneway drive of over 3 hours. The width is over 90 miles from west to east. This district should be made more compact. The placement of state legislative districts within the same US Congressional would help aid voters in knowing their representatives and being informed voters. Counties should not be split when drawing boundaries. Census data should be considered. Cities and counties should be kept in the same district. Again, districts should be made compact.

When it comes to voting within predominately black neighborhoods, finding where they vote is difficult. They have to go way across town to vote. This is voter supression and we need more polling places in those neighborhoods.

One issue I would like to address is children be bussed all the way across town to attend a school when schools are located in their neighborhoods.

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